

SENATOR STULL: Mr. President, Members of the Legislature, L.B. 200 carried emergency clause and this amendment will make the A bill correspond so that this appropriation will become effective on passage of the bill when it is signed by the Governor. I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the amendment? Stand by just a minute. All in favor of the amendments please signify by saying aye. Those opposed say no. It is so ordered, the amendments are adopted. Senator Stull.

SENATOR STULL: Now, Mr. President and Members of the Legislature, I move that 200A be advanced to E&R for initial. I think the bill has been explained. It is just appropriation bill for L.B. 200, the Fort Robinson Centennial Commission Bill.

SPEAKER: Is there additional debate regarding the bill? The question is shall L.B. 200A as explained by Senator Stull and as amended be advanced from general file to E&R initial. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed will vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 29 ayes, no nays, 20 not voting, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: The bill is advanced. Moves us to general file consideration of L.B. 35.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 35 introduced by--

SPEAKER: Senator Keyes in the chamber?

CLERK: Senator Keyes, Mr. President is excused today.

SPEAKER: All right, L.B. 35, somebody else wants to handle it. Seeing none, it is so ordered. Will move to consideration of L.B. 198.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 198 introduced by Senator John J. Cavanaugh and Senator Anderson. (read). There are no committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Chair recognizes Senator, Senator Anderson, are you going to handle the bill? Very good, Chair recognizes Senator Anderson.

SENATOR ANDERSON: I lost the flip of the coin, so I'll handle the bill. L.B. 198 is a bill which is written to eliminate the requirement that is currently in our voter registration laws which says that anyone who fails to vote in one of the last two general elections shall have his registration purged which means taken out of the registration list. There has been some misunderstanding of this bill so I will attempt to explain as carefully as possible what it does. The purge, as I explained, is, in our election laws, eliminates the registration of a voter because he has failed to vote in one of two general elections. There is also another provision in our Nebraska election laws that applies to election commissioner counties, Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster and Buffalo, where they can use a challenge procedure for locating voters who have moved or have died whose registration is invalid for one reason or another. This particular bill focuses only on the merits of the challenge and I think this is the consideration that we should, on the merits of the purge, and I think this is the consideration which we should be making this morning. The purge is in our voter registration laws as a result of L.B. 661 which was an omnibus election law passed by the 1972